

REMARKS

Specification

Reference to the PCT application is made in the specification.

Withdraw Claims

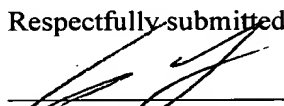
Withdrawn claims 13-15 are cancelled.

Double Patenting

The claims of US 6,448,277 are directed to compounds where R¹ is aryl and is bonded to a nitrogen group. The claims of the present application exclude such compounds of the reference by the following proviso in the definition of R¹ "wherein an aryl group is not bonded directly to the =NR² group in the meaning of A." Support for this proviso can be found, in the specification on page 4, lines 4-6.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,



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